(*c*) whether any of the transfers of Executive Engineers has been kept in abeyance;

(*d*) if so, for what reasons?

A.—Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Minister for Public Works).—

(*a*) Ramanagaram Division, Ramanagaram.
(i) Milk Dairy Project Division, Bangalore.
(ii) Nil.

(*b*) In the public interest.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (*c*) above.

Increasing the height of the pick-up constructed near Mallapura, Kanakapura Taluk.

*Q.—260. Sri K. L. SIVALINGE GOWDA (Virupakshipura).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether it has come to their notice that the height of the pick-up constructed near Mallapura, Sathanur Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, has been increased by 2 feet more than the height sanctioned by the Government.

(*b*) whether it has come to their notice that the ryots are put to inconveneince in view of the increased height of the pick-up?

A.—Sri ALUR HANUMANTHAPPA (Deputy Minister for Minor Irrigation).—

(*a*) The height of the pick-up was unauthorisedly constructed 9" more than the sanctioned height.

(*b*) Yes.

CALLING ATTENTION TO A MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

Re: the landslide in the Sharavathi valley Hydro-Electric Project area.

† ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಗೋಪಾಲ ಗೌಡ (ತೀರ್ಥಹಳ್ಳಿ).—ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರೇ, 3-3-1963, ಭಾನುವಾರ, ಶರಾವತಿ ಕಣಿವೆ ಜಲವಿದ್ಯುತ್ ಯೋಜನೆಯ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಭೂಪಾತದಿಂದ ಆಯುಜನ ಕೆಲಸಗಾರರು ಸಾವಿಗೀಡಾದ ವಿಚಾರವನ್ನು ಮಾನ್ಯ ಮುಖ್ಯಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ತಮ್ಮ ಮೂಲಕ ತರಲು ಇಚ್ಛಿಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.

† Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA (Chief Minister).—Sir, from information received so far, I understand that on Sunday the 3rd March 1963 at about 3-00 a.m. an unfortunate accident of land-sliding occurred in Chanage between 3920-3940 of the pipeline alignment 4 and 5 along the hill-slope. The quantity of earth that slided is roughly about 130 units one unit-100 cft.) The landslide has occurred causing death of seven persons in all, of

which two are women and five are men. Six more were injured. All the injured persons were sent to Jog and Shimoga Hospitals on the morning of the 3rd March 1963. All the above labourers were working under Sri B. Ramaswamy, Public Works Department Contractor, Sharavathi to whom the work of excavation in that area was entrusted.

According to the information furnished by the contractor all the other injured persons are recovering and reported to be safe. The bodies of the deceased persons after recovery were handed over to their relatives immediately after the Police Mahazar was completed. The bodies of the seven persons were recovered on the 4th instant at about 11-45 a.m. after removal of the earth which had slided down the hill slope.

All these persons came from the village Vanaparthi, Mahaboobnagar District, Andhra Pradesh and their names are:—

1. Chinnakuram, s/o Shri Baliah, aged 30 years
2. Komma Masanna, s/o Shri Chinniah, aged 35 years
3. Edutala Baliah, s/o Shri Ramaiah, aged 25 years
4. Smt. Janamma, w/o Shri Thimmanna, aged 25 years
5. Smt. Balamma, w/o Shri Baliah, aged 25 years
6. Chinnanagiah, s/o Shri Muddiah, aged 18 years
7. Gandam Baliah, s/o Shri Chinniah, aged 28 years

The names of persons who were injured in the above accident are as follows:—

1. Guttiah, s/o Shri Pedda Kurumiah, aged 20 years
2. Pulliah, s/o Shri Pedda Kurumiah, aged 18 years
3. Balaram, s/o Shri Chinnaiah, aged 19 years
4. Munianna, s/o Shri Buthanna, aged 30 years
5. Chandraiah, s/o Shri Baliah, aged 18 years
6. Jagatapalli Baliah, s/o Shri Peddiah, aged 35 years

Sri SANJEEVANATH AIKALA (Suratkal).—Sir, as per Labour Regulation Act women are prevented from working in the night. The incident occurred at 3 a.m. which means that they were working in the night. How is it permissible for the contractor to get women working in the early hours of the morning ?

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—I have just got the information. The enquiry is going on. At this stage, I do not want to go into that question.

Sri. SANJEEVANATHA AIKALA.—If it is a question of paying compensation, who is responsible ? whether it is the contractor or Government ?

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—According to rules it is the contractor.